#### UNITED STATES DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

Farm Service Agency Washington, DC 20250 Notice AO-1287

For: State and County Offices

Supporting Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) Between FSA and Farm Safety 4 Just Kids

Approved by: Associate Administrator for Operations and Management

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# 1 Supporting MOU Between FSA and Farm Safety 4 Just Kids

## A Background

On July 8, 2002, FSA and Farm Safety 4 Just Kids entered into an MOU. Farm Safety 4 Just Kids is an international nonprofit organization that promotes practices to reduce injuries and deaths to youths incurred by farm accidents.

The American farm is a critically important institution to the welfare of this country, as well as to the world. FSA plays many important roles in supporting the American farmer. FSA is also very supportive of the farm family including youths, many of whom may someday become farmers. To ensure that youths grow up to become farmers, FSA is very supportive of proactive vehicles to prevent farm accidents that injure and kill many youths on an annual basis.

## **B** Purpose

This notice informs State Offices of their authority to cooperate with Farm Safety 4 Just Kids in implementing this MOU.

## **C** Authority

Each SED:

- is authorized to expend appropriate administrative funds from the State Office budget to:
  - purchase products and/or literature from Farm Safety 4 Just Kids
  - display posters, etc. in State and County Offices

**Note:** States should code these expenses to their State Office organization code.

• should treat outreach activities as a normal job function and administer pay and leave polices in an equal and nondiscriminating manner.

#### **D** Contact

State Offices shall contact Cliff J. Herron, Outreach Staff, at 202-720-7619 or e-mail to **Cliff.Herron@WDC.USDA.gov** with any questions or if additional information is needed.

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